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Section I: AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method for enabling an accessory cable for an electronic device to be used for carrying said electronic device, said method comprising:

attaching a first portion of said accessory cable to said electronic device on a first side of said electronic device;

wrapping said accessory cable around a bottom side of said electronic device; and

attaching a second portion of said accessory cable to said electronic device at first and second attachment points on a top side of said electronic device, said first and second attachment points being located to enable a handle to be formed by said accessory cable between said first and second attachment points, said handle being arranged <u>as a hand-grip</u> to enable <u>carrying a user to hand-carry</u> said electronic device by said handle formed by said accessory cable.

- 2. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said electronic device is a laptop computer.
 - 3. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said accessory cable is a cord for an AC adapter used with said electronic device.
 - 4. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said accessory cable is a security cable apparatus used with said electronic device.
 - 5. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said accessory cable is a network connector cable designed for use

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with said electronic device.

- 6. (Currently Cancelled).
- 7. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said accessory cable is enclosed within a flat belt-shaped strap, said strap being designed to provide additional support for said electronic device.
- 8. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 7 wherein said strap is attached to said electronic device using a selectively detachable hook and loop material.
- 9. (Currently Amended) The method as set forth in <u>claim 1</u> <u>claim 7</u> wherein said accessory cable is attached to said electronic device using a selectively detachable hook and loop material.
- 10. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said accessory cable is attached to said electronic device using a selectively detachable hook and loop material.
- 11. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said first portion of said accessory cable comprises an electrical power connection to said electronic device.
- 12. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1 wherein said first portion of said accessory cable comprises a security connection device arranged for connection to a security recess within said electronic device.
- 13. (Currently Amended) An electronic device comprising:

an outer casing having a top panel, a bottom panel and four side panels;

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attachment material disposed on said panels, said attachment material being designed to be selectively coupled to a cable accessory for said electronic device at two or more points on said top panel thereby enabling a carrying handle to be formed by said cable accessory, said cable accessory being arranged to provide bottom panel support for said electronic device, said carrying handle being arranged to snuggly engage with user's hand, said cable accessory thereby providing both bottom panel support for said electronic device and a carrying handle whereby said electronic device may be carried by a user using said carrying handle formed by said cable accessory.

- 14. (Original) The electronic device as set forth in claim 13 wherein said attachment material is a selectively detachable hook and loop material having a hooking surface and a corresponding loop surface.
- 15. (Original) The electronic device as set forth in claim 14 wherein said hooking surface is permanently attached to said panels and said corresponding loop surface is permanently attached to said cable accessory.
- 16. (Original) The electronic device as set forth in claim 14 wherein said hooking surface is permanently attached to said cable accessory and said corresponding loop surface is permanently attached to said panels.
- 17. (Original) The electronic device as set forth in claim 13 wherein said attachment material is in the form of a flat belt permanently attached at points around outer edges of said side panels of said electronic device.
- 18. (Original) The electronic device as set forth in claim 13 wherein said electronic device includes a security recess for receiving a security connector of a cable accessory for said

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electronic device.

- 19. (Currently Amended) An accessory strap for enclosing AC power conductors, said accessory strap comprising a series of two or more pre-formed sections, said pre-formed sections being arranged to enclose electrical conductors used to connect said electronic device to a power source, said accessory strap being designed to be selectively placed around a bottom portion edges of said electronic device, said accessory strap further including means for forming a carrying handle along a top portion of said electronic device, said accessory strap thereby providing both a carrying handle and bottom support for said electronic device whereby said electronic device may be carried by said carrying handle when said accessory strap is arranged around said bottom portion edges of said electronic device.
- 20. (Original) The accessory strap as set forth in claim 19 wherein said pre-formed sections are formed in a "U" shape to selectively fit snugly around outer edges of said electronic device.
- 21. (Original) The accessory strap as set forth in claim 20 wherein said electronic device is a laptop computer device.
- 22. (Original) The accessory strap as set forth in claim 21 wherein said electrical conductors are longer in length than said accessory strap whereby said accessory strap is effective to prevent mechanical stress being placed on said electrical conductors when said accessory strap is used to carry said laptop computer device.
- 23. (New) A carrying system for a laptop computer, said carrying system comprising:
- a laptop computer including an outer casing having a top panel, a

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bottom panel and four side panels;

attachment material disposed on said panels;

a selectively detachable power cable assembly for connecting said laptop computer to a power source, said attachment material being designed to be selectively coupled to said power cable assembly for said laptop computer at two or more points on said top panel thereby enabling a carrying handle to be formed by said power cable assembly, said power cable assembly being configured to provide bottom panel support for said laptop computer, said carrying handle being arranged to snuggly engage with user's hand, said power cable assembly thereby providing both bottom panel support for said electronic device and a carrying handle whereby said laptop computer may be hand-carried by a user using said carrying handle formed by said power cable assembly, said attachment material comprising a selectively detachable hook and loop material having a hooking surface and a corresponding loop surface, said attachment material being formed to comprise a flat belt permanently attached at points around outer edges of said side panels of said laptop computer, said power cable assembly comprising a series of "U" shaped sections designed to fit snugly around outer edges of said laptop computer while engaging with said attachment material.

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